Financial Assistance to Orissa under Rashtriya Mahila Kosh

2908. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1197, given in the Rajya Sabha on 5th March, 1999 and state:

(a) the funds allocated by Government to NGOs under Micro-projects for development of tribes functioning in Orissa; and

(b) the details of activities undertaken by these NGOs in the State and the number of persons benefited?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SUSHREE UMA BHARTI): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

केन्द्रीय विद्यालयों में समाजोपयोगी उत्पादक कार्य (एस0 यू0 पी0 डब्ल्यू) शिक्षक

2909. **श्री गया सिंह** :

श्री गोविन्दराम मिरी :

क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) केन्द्रीय विद्यालयों में समाजोपयोगी उत्पादक कार्य शिक्षकों के पद-सृजन के लिए निर्धारित वर्तमान मानदण्ड क्या हैं ,

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि दिल्ली तथा लखनऊ सम्भाग के कुछ केन्द्रीय विद्यालयों में समाजोपयोगी उत्पादक कार्य शिक्षकों के पद पर अन्य विषयों के प्रशिक्षित शिक्षक और/या स्नातकोत्तर शिक्षक कार्य कर रहे हैं,

(ग) यदि हां, तो 1 मार्च, 1999 की स्थिति के अनुसार ऐसे शिक्षकों का विषय, पद, कार्यारम्भ की तिथि तथा प्रत्येक मामले में औचित्यवार ब्यौरा क्या हैं,

(घ) क्या वर्ष 1990 -1998 के बीच भी इन पदों पर अन्य विषयों के अध्यापकों ने कार्य किया हैं, और

(ड़) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या हैं ?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री (डा0 मुरली मनोहर जोशी) : (क) से (ड़) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही हैं और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

Allotment of Contract for dry cleaning of blankets

2910. SHRI NAGENDRA NATH OJHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has received complaints from Members of Parliament regarding allotment of contract by Delhi division for washing and disinfecting of Linen and dry cleaning of blanket etc. to M/s Laundraids; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) A contract for mechanised laundry was awarded to M/s Laundraids as per the prescribed procedure of the tendering system. One of the parties who did not get the contract has filed a case in the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi and the case is subjudice.

New Rail line from Bhanupalli-Bilaspur-Beri

2911. SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways have taken s<5me initiatives at their own for construction of new Bhanupalli-Bilaspur-Beri rail line;

(b) if so, the details thereof with present status, including target fixed for completion; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) to (c) No, Sir. However, the Himachal Govt, is taking the initiative to take up construction of this line through a Satluj Valley Railway Corporation with equity participation by them, the Cement Industry and IRCON on behalf of the Railways. The modalities of setting up the Corporation arc being settled by the Himachal Pradesh Govt.

Rail Link between Jagdalpur and Raipur/ Durg (M.P.)

2912. KUMARI NIRMALA DESHPANDE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a rail link between Jagdalpur (District Bastar) and Raipur/ Durg (M.P.) is being proposed;

(b) if so, how long will it take to make it operational; and

(c) if not, when will this proposal be considered?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) to (c) A line already exists between Raipur/Durg and Dallirajahara and construction of a new line between Dallirajahara and Jagdalpur (235 kms.) is a sanctioned work. As and when this new line-comes up, the desired linkage between Jagdalpur and Raipur/ Durg will be established. The Dallirajahara-Jagdalpur New Line project is proposed to be carried out in two phases, via., the 1st phase (Dallirajahara-Rowghat: 95 Kms.) and the 2nd phase (Rowghat-Jagdalpur: 140 kms.), and would be completed in the coming years as per the availability of resources. As per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) - signed, the full cost of the 1st phase work is to be borne solely toy M/s Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL). As soon as M/s SAIL deposits the money with the Railways, actual work on the 1st phase will be taken up.

Rail Line between Solapur and Pakni

2913. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI AKHILESH DAS:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for doubling the rail line between Solapur and Pakni, a stretch of about 16 kms. and creation of an additional terminus to relieve congestion of traffic at Solapur Station;

(b) if so, the details and cost thereof; and

(c) whether it is proposed to be included in the works programme for 1999-2000; if so, the steps taken and being taken in pursuance thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) to (c) A survey for doubling of Bhigwan to Gulbarga section *via* Pakni and Solapur is presently in progress. Further consideration of the project will be possible once the results of the surveys become available.

Creation of additional terminal facilities at Solapur by remodelling of Solapur Yard as a part of gauge conversion of Solapur-Hotgi MG line has been taken up at a sactioned cost of Rs. 1296.26 lakhs. The scope of the work envisages the following.

(i) Lengthening of lines,

(ii) Additional island platform,

(iv) Extension of washing line,

(iv) Two spare stock lines,

(v) One Goods Line,

(vi) Two R&D lines,

(vii) 2 sick lines.

(viii) One goods unloading line,

(ix) Two shunting necks.

Work on gauge conversion, of Solapur-Hotgi section has been completed and the section will be commissioned to traffic shortly.